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## **Murder, Assault Charge Filed in Case of Palmdale Babysitter Accused of Injuring Baby**

A woman accused of assaulting a four-month old boy she was babysitting was charged today with his murder after the infant succumbed to his injuries, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Keri Knittel said Brittany Ann Ingrassi (dob 1/8/86) of Palmdale was originally charged on March 24 with one count each of assault on a child becoming comatose and child abuse with an allegation that Ingrassi personally inflicted great bodily injury on the victim and that he was under the age of five.

Case MA068287 was amended today to include one count each of murder and assault on a child causing death.

Arraignment is scheduled on April 15 in Department A01 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Antelope Valley Branch.

The baby, identified on the felony complaint as Aiden L., was left home under the care of Ingrassi on the morning of March 22, the prosecutor said. When the victim's mother returned that evening, she was allegedly met by the defendant outside of the home and was made aware that the baby was not breathing, the prosecutor added.

The mother then called 911 and the baby was transported to a local hospital with numerous injuries. The infant died at the hospital on March 26.

Ingrassi faces 25 years to life in state prison if convicted as charged. Bail has been set at \$1 million.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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